

**NEBRASKA COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Fourth Quarter Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2014**

1. PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

All NCCA Board of Directors, Area Presidents, and the general public having been duly notified the fourth quarter meeting of the NCCA Board of Directors was held November 4, 2014, at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Lincoln. President Perkins stated the public meeting notice was published in the Lincoln Journal Star on October 25, 2014. He also stated that the rules for the Nebraska Public Meeting Laws were available for public viewing. The public meeting notice is attached to these minutes.

2. ATTENDANCE

Directors Present:

President Tom Perkins – Western Nebraska
Vice President Sandra Borden – Central
Secretary Steve Anderson – Northeast
Treasurer Robert Feit – Southeast
Merlyn Gramberg – Western Nebraska
Paul Krieger for Diane Keller – Central
Ernie Mehl – Mid-Plains
Kent Miller – Mid-Plains
Shirley Petsche – Northeast
Lynn Schluckebier – Southeast

Staff Present:

Dennis Baack – Executive Director
Melanie Williams – Administrative Assistant

Also present: Dr. Greg Smith – Central, Ryan Purdy – Mid-Plains, Dr. Michael Chipps – Northeast, Dr. Paul Illich and Reverend Edward Price – Southeast, and Dr. Todd Holcomb – Western Nebraska.

3. CALL TO ORDER AND QUORUM DETERMINATION

President Perkins called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m. and asked for roll call and quorum determination. Present and responding were ten board members representing their respective area governing boards. It was determined that a quorum was present.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Perkins asked for any additions or changes to the agenda. There were none.

MOTION BY ROBERTH FEIT AND SECOND BY MERLYN GRAMBERG that the NCCA Board of Directors approve the meeting agenda as presented.

President Perkins asked for any objections or discussion. There were none.

A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Aye: Anderson, Borden, Feit, Gramberg, Krieger, Mehl, Miller, Perkins, Petsche, Schluckebier

Voting Nay: None

RESULT: Motion carried ten (10) ayes and no nays.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Perkins asked for any corrections or changes to the August 4, 2014, meeting minutes. There were none.

MOTION BY LYNN SCHLUCKEIBER AND SECOND BY ROBERT FEIT that the NCCA Board of Directors approve the August 4, 2014, meeting minutes as presented.

President Perkins asked for any discussion. There was none.

A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Aye: Anderson, Borden, Feit, Gramberg, Krieger, Mehl, Miller, Perkins, Petsche, Schluckebier

Voting Nay: None

RESULT: Motion carried ten (10) ayes and no nays.

6. TEAM 2/BUDGET & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

President Perkins stated that a copy of the Executive Director's evaluation results was included in the board packet and Team 2 is recommending an extension of Baack's contract.

MOTION BY KENT MILLER AND SECOND BY LYNN SCHLUCKEBIER that the NCCA Board of Directors extend the Executive Director's contract.

President Perkins asked for any further discussion. There was none.

A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Aye: Anderson, Borden, Feit, Gramberg, Krieger, Mehl, Miller, Perkins, Petsche, Schluckebier

Voting Nay: None

RESULT: Motion carried ten (10) ayes and no nays.

7. BOARD EVALUATION

President Perkins stated that a copy of the board evaluation results was included in the board packet and that the Executive Committee had met earlier to review the document. He then asked for thoughts on the evaluation instrument and the process used. It was the consensus of the Board that using Survey Monkey was easy and very effective. President Perkins then stated that one low mark regarding taking time to discuss the strengths and weaknesses of the Board's work may need to be discussed in the future.

MOTION BY STEVE ANDERSON AND SECOND BY SANDRA BORDEN that the NCCA Board of Directors approve the Board Evaluation.

President Perkins asked for any further discussion. There was none.

A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Aye: Anderson, Borden, Feit, Gramberg, Krieger, Mehl, Miller, Perkins, Petsche, Schluckebier

Voting Nay: None

8. 2015 MEETING DATES AND SITES

President Perkins stated that the Executive Committee is recommending the following dates and location for the 2015 NCCA meetings.

First Quarter & Legislative Review – January 23, 2015 – Lincoln

Second Quarter – May 4, 2015 – Lincoln

Third Quarter – August 3, 2015 – Lincoln or Video Conference

Fourth Quarter & Annual Meeting – November 2 & 3, 2015 – Lincoln

Petsche stated that it is nice for Board members to see other area's campuses but is open to meeting in Lincoln. Schluckebier asked what the thought process was for having all of the meetings in one location. Miller stated that the first and second quarterly meeting were going to need to be held in Lincoln due to the Legislative

Session but that the third and fourth could be other locations. In regards to the Annual Meeting, the Executive Committee thought that it has been to every area and perhaps it could be in Lincoln for a few years before possibly moving it around the state again.

MOTION BY KENT MILLER AND SECOND BY LYNN SCHLUCKEBIER that the NCCA Board of Directors approve the 2015 NCCA meeting dates and site as presented.

A roll call vote was taken.

Voting Aye: Anderson, Borden, Feit, Gramberg, Krieger, Mehl, Miller, Perkins, Petsche, Schluckebier

Voting Nay: None

RESULT: Motion carried ten (10) ayes and no nays.

Baack stated that he will arrange a dinner on January 22 prior to the first quarter meeting. As host area for 2015, Dr. Holcomb stated that he is not enthused with the decision to have the Annual Meeting in Lincoln instead of in the Western area. This move will not benefit his community.

9. SAFETY AND SECURITY OF STUDENTS

President Perkins stated that the Executive Committee have been discussing this topic at their meetings recently. Their concern is that the Board will be encouraged by the Department of Education and others in the federal government to work through a process to make sure all students are safe, secure, and doing our best to prevent assaults. This topic will be recurring for the Board in 2015.

10. COMMUNITY COLLEGE FUNDING

President Perkins stated that he had a conversation with an area County Commissioner, who also happens to be on the Nebraska Association of County Officials board, about property tax. They both asked the question if it was possible for County Commissioners and community colleges to come together to have serious discussion regarding their concerns on taxes. It was decided to take this question to the NCCA Board and the NACO Board to ask this question. President Perkins then asked what if the NCCA and NACO went to the Legislature together and asked them to step up and start taking care of their responsibility of the community colleges so that we could perhaps decrease the burden of property tax on our constituents. Baack stated that the discussion will also need to begin soon with Metro about a new funding formula and cautioned the Board about giving up to much levy authority. Dr. Holcomb stated that NACO would like to have a broader discussion as a state regarding property tax for all

education. President Perkins will get together with his NACO contact, compare notes, and determine how to proceed.

11. COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

President Perkins stated that the 2015 committee assignments will be as follows:

Legislative Committee

Ernie Mehl, Chair
Remaining NCCA Board Members

Team 2/Budget & Personnel Committee

Steve Anderson
Robert Feit, Chair
Diane Keller
Ernie Mehl
Tom Perkins

Bylaw & Policy Review Committee

Sandra Borden
Merlyn Gramberg
Kent Miller, Chair
Shirley Petsche
Lynn Schluckebier

Educations & Seminars

Merlyn Gramberg
Tom Perkins
Dr. Todd Holcomb
Sandra Borden, Central

Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission

Dennis Baack

12. CREDIT TRANSFERABILITY

Baack stated that the community colleges are discussing this topic with the University at this time.

13. GATES VISION FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Miller stated that he has nothing to report and appreciated all the discussion had during the year.

14. COUNCIL OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT

Dr. Holcomb reported that the college Presidents met with the University and are excited about the University's response to reverse transfer. The reverse transfer agreement has been in effect for the past year and has helped a number of students in the state. He then stated that the CEO's will be meeting with Senator Bolz immediately after this meeting to go over her proposed legislative agenda.

15. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Baack stated that the State Chamber is reassessing the Veteran's Event and will keep the Board informed.

16. TREASURER'S REPORT

Feit reviewed the report with the Board and asked for any questions or comments. There were none.

17. ACCT REPORT

Feit stated that the coordinators are discussing additional ways for more information to be included in the regional reports.

18. COMMENTS & CONCERNS OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS

This will be Schluckebier's last meeting on the NCCA Board and the Board expressed their gratitude and appreciation for his service to the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Dr. M. Thomas Perkins, President

Steve Anderson, Secretary